Have a Demonstration by

Regular Army.

the Muddled Political

LOCAL ISSUES VEX THEM

respectably fair colloquialism to apply to the Republican Presidential situation in the States that will be expected to deliver a Republican majority in the electoral college of 1917.

The mid Western States-particularly those cast of the Mississippi River and some on the other side—do not know their political intentions. Intense local politics, reaching in certain States to imensions that pass Congressional district lines, and a growing fear that Col. Roosevelt may be a candidate before the Republican national convention have combined to cause worry the nation over.

In Illinois undoubtedly Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman is the popular candidate for the Republican nomination. Under ordinary circumstances he would ommand a united and personally favorable delegation of fifty-eight in the national convention. There are local conditions working in Chicago and down State that may weaken the per-

sonal Sherman strength.

In Iowa undoubtedly Senator Albert
B, Cummins has a tremendous lead in
popular Republican sentiment because
Iowa has had long an excellent oppor-

In Indiana ex-Vice-President Fairbanks, who held aloof successfully from the Republican-Progressive row and per-mitted ex-Senator Albert J. Beveridge to

mitted ex-Senator Albert J. Beveringe to hold a balance of power, is now produced as the State's candidate. In Ohio absolutely the State delegation will be solidly for ex-Senator Theodore E. Burton. Advices from that State indicate that in case of a break there will be three divisions in the State delegation.
One element will be for Burton "on the square." Another will be composed of riends of Myron T. Herrick, ex-Governor of the State and late Ambassador to France. A third will consist of allies of the present Governor and former Representative Frank B. Willis.

Mr. Herrick's announcement that he is a candidate for United States Senator in opposition to the present Democratic Senator, Atlee B. Pomerene, may be ex-pected at any time after the new year. Experts in the Ohio game say that Herrick's nomination for Senator is a sure thing and that he will go the route ds a Republican. This, they say, is more than could have been said of Burton when he was a Cleveland Congressman and refused to run for Senator in the year in which Pomerene was selected. As for Gov. Willis, the story from the inside goes that he has been involved in a wet and dry proposition that may his renomination, but that it i up to him to use his own political executive resources to secure his re-

Michigan Situation.

In Michigan undoubtedly the disposition of the Republican Congressional delegation, the old guard, and a Washington group in which Senator William Alden Smith has an acknowledged leadership, is to give Senator Smith a de-

elled easily enough until ex-Gov. Charles S. Osborne began to take interest in the

Smith that he will not permit Mr. Smith to be recognized as Michigan's "favorite son" if the delegation is to be handled i Chicago as Senator Smith and the Washington Senators might agree.

T. R. MAY TAKE NAME OFF.

Action of Michigan Progressives

It was intimated yesterday that Col. Roosevelt will ask the Secretary of State of Michigan to take his name off the Presidential primary ballot, where it was placed on Friday by the filing of Pro-

gressive petitions.

The Colonel has received no official word as to the filing. Newspaper despatches from Lansing were real news to him. It had been suggested by some Michigan Republicans that they might try to nominate the ex-President in their preferential primary, but the Pro-gressives kept their plan under cover

until the petitions were filed.

It was said in the Colonel's behalf that he did not know anything about this procedure, and was likely to take the same course that he followed in re-questing the Secretary of State of Ne-braska to withdraw his name from coneration. In Nebraska, however, the oseveit petitions were filed by Repub-

SNAKE OIL HIT BY CRUSADE.

Never Was Near a Rattler.

A sample of the preparation has been from a heating stove. analyzed in the State Department of Health's laboratory, the Reporter says, and has been found to contain "cottonseed oil, ether, turpentine, and a great amount of coloring matter, but no snake

KILLED ON AN AUTO RIDE.

New York Life Man Victim in Smash With Trolley Car.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 25.—While returning from a Christmas party at the home of friends Fred Camp, an employee of the New York Life Insurance Company, was killed and Arthur Greenbill, agent for the same firm, and his wife and sister, Miss Anna Greenbill, were severely injured early this morning when the automobile in which they were riding crashed into a standing trolley car.

The trolley car was stationed where two streets converge, and Greenbill, who was driving, apparently did not see it. HDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 25 .- While

WESTERN CHIEFS OF KITCHIN'S PEACE VIEWS CALLED ECHO OF BRYAN

Party Leaders Worried by Henry Woodhouse Answers Argument of the House's Democratic Leader Against Preparedness and Quotes Army and Navy Figures.

Henry Woodhouse, a gevernor of the Aero Club of America, replied yesterday of manhood.

"People of narrow mental perspective."

ministration's programme—which only aims to make the United States navy fourth or fifth in rank among the world's navies and the United States army fifteenth—because you think the proposal 'morally wrong,'" writes Mr. Woodhouse, who adds that what Mr. Kitchin wants the people to do "goes no further than the statement that you think that 'the proposal is morally wrong.'"

Mr. Woodhouse socues Mr. Kinchin of echoing the views of W. J. Bryan, Congressman Bailey and others, without realising that many of the leading workers in the preparedness movement are the peace workers who supported peace movements before the war.

"Likewise," continues Mr. Woodhouse's letter, "you do not seem to realize that

"Likewise," continues Mr. Woodhouse's letter, "you do not seem to realize that the responsibility involved in urging this country to build a navy equal to the best and increase the army to between 350,000 and 500,000 men is but slight compared to the responsibility involved in attempting to prevent adequate preparedness, thereby exposing the Western Hemisphere to eventual devastation by

are more so, and because we see that are more so, and because we see that armed power in the hands of peaceful people is needed in this critical period, not only to safeguard our lives and homes, but to protect the rights and wel-

Aero Club of America, replied yesterday to the letter of Democratic leader of the House, Claude Kitchin, in which Mr. Kitchin tried to justify his opposition to the preparedness movement. In his lengthy response Mr. Woodhouse explains the ethics of his position and calls upon Congressman Kitchin to do the same.

"You state that you oppose the Administration's programme—which only aims to make the United States navy to the control of the mumber of men in the armies of Europe and suggests to Mr. Kitchin:

Preparedness Cost Small.

It is high time, in the opinion of Mr. Woodhouse, to establish an international board of health with power to enforce its verdicts, and this time will come "as soon as there is sufficient armed force in control of peaceful people to enforce the verdicts of the board." The cost of national protection is 1 per cent, of the national wealth.

Congressman Kitchin had inquired of

Once Opposed Armament.

"As you stute that you have read and filed my articles and addresses, you must know that before this war I was not for armament. Why have I, like thousands of others who were advocates of peace and of limited armament, hanged and become the supporter of movement for adequate prepared-we? Certainly not because we are less glous to prevent war, but because we more so, and because we see that ted power in the hands of peaceful only to safeguare and seemand seem

hope that Mr. Kitchin after thorough

VANISHING BROKER PUZZLE TO POLICE

Detectives Fail in Search for At Least, Moses Taylor Must Van Wyck Thorne, Missing Since Dec. 16.

Van Wyck Thorne, the mortgage wife, 120 East Sixty-fourth street, or at the period when the site was acquired his country place at Northport, L. I. in February, 1902, until the building If he spent Christmas Day in the city he could not be found by Police Detectives Kirk and Healy, who are in charge

of the search.

The anxiety of the detectives to find him and the interest in the missing broker of Assistant District Attorney Mr. Osborne was one of the original "Seven Governors" whose names were used in propagating the Roosevelt movement in 1912. He is credited with first hand possession of a substantial end of the Republican county organization in Michigan.

He bear are due to the fact that until Thorne is found and questioned it will be difficult to straighten out a tangle in a mortgage transaction in-volving \$27,000 between Thorne and Gilbert H. Montague, a lawyer of 40 Wall street. It is known that the transaction resulted in a loss of \$22,000 to Me. William Embree are due to the fact that until Thorne is found and questioned it will be difficult to straighten out a served notice upon Senator tague. The lawyer, after callin matters to the attention of Mr. Thorne,

got back \$5,000 of the \$27,000.

It was learned yesterday that failure to receive a small amount of interest caused Mr. Montague to investigate the mortgage transaction. The interest of mortgage transaction. The interest of the District Attorney's office was stirred shortly after Mr. Montague's investiga-tion. It was while Mr. Embree was con-ducting an investigation that Mr. Thorne disappeared from his office and his

Most of those interested in the case were away from their homes yesterday enjoying the holiday, but Mr. Montague was reached. He said that he had had several trans-

actions with Thorne previous to the un-satisfactory one. Since Thorne's dis-appearance several of these earlier trans-

appearance several of these earlier transactions have been investigated. All were found to be perfectly regular.

Mrs. Thorne spent the day at her home, but she declined to be seen. She is Thorne's second wife. He and his first wife were divorced in 1909. Before the present Mrs. Thorne's marriage to Thorne she was Mrs. Helen C. Del. Henderson, widow of George Henderson. derson, widow of George Henderson, a Wall Street broker.

OLD FIREMAN DIES IN FIRE. Patrick Gannon Overcome as He

Sleeps in Little Home.

Patrick Gannon, retired member of the New York Fire Department, was burned to death while asleep in his home at 274 Boulevard, Long Island City, early Christmas morning. He was a widower and lived alone in

The New Jersey Department of Health has begun a campaign against patent and proprietary medicines which make false and misleading statements on their labels or in their advertising about thefr' contents or therapeutic value. Action is being taken under a recent amendment to the maining to the State food and drug law similar to the Sherley amendment to the maining to the Sherley amendment to the maining to the Sherley amendment to the manufacturers and demonstrators of a "magic corn oil," the owners of which, according to the Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter claim, "is made from the fatty oil of the diamond back rattlesnake, but which the department's chemists assert is made chiefly from cottonseed oil and turpentine."

A sample of the preparation has been analyzed in the State Department of the started from a heating stove.

Christmas merring.

He was a widower and lived alone in a neat little one story house that was built in the rear of the home of his sister. Mrs. Many Manning of 247 Hancock Hrs. Mrs. Many

N. Y. PAYS FIFTH OF WAR TAX.

Bankers First, Brewers Next, As Revenue Contributors.

Washington, Dec. 25.—New York city contributed \$9,712,357 of the \$52,000,000 war taxes collected during the fiscal year ended June 30, according to W. H. Osborn, Commissioner of Internal Rev-From Wall street came a lion share in

we streets converge, and Greenhill, who has driving, apparently did not see it. of this money coming from downtown day."

Miss Greenhill, who celebrated her lighteenth birthday a few days ago, and see it. \$1,000 capital, surplus and undivided the from Mme. Bernhardt, dated Thurshor expected to live.

MANHATTAN HOSPITAL **MUST PAY BACK TAX**

Do So Under Justice Blanchard's New Order.

Supreme Court Justice Blanchard has decided that the Manhattan Maternity

The decision is based on the contenti of Assistant Corporation Counsel Orton that the donor of the hospital held legal title to the property until it was transferred to the corporation, and that while his representative was under moral obligation to use the property for charitable purposes, he was under no legal obligation to do so.

The litigation arose from the fact that about fifteen years ago H. C. A. Taylor gave \$200,000 to his son. Moses, for the the purpose of establishing a maternity Mr. Taylor took his tin hospital. about performing the task, because he had no idea that the property would be subject to a tax in the meantime, and believed that the actual erection of the hospital would progress faster under his own management than under the direction of a board of trustees. While corporation was created in 1901 the title remained in Mr. Taylor's name until it was transferred to the corporation in 1907. Mr. Taylor admitted that the property would have been transferred to the corporation long before 1907 if he hadn't overlooked the fact that owner-

ship was still vested in him. While the city conceded that Mr. Tay-

equitable interests in property could be substituted for the legal interest, the way would be open to all sorts of improper and questionable claims. substituted for the legal interest, the way would be open to all sorts of improper and questionable claims, presented years after the taxes were assessed to the legal owner, and the opportunity for imposition and fraud upon the city would be vastly increased. The city slaw department would have to be greatly augmented at the public expense to investigate and pass upon such claims; the certainty of the city's revenue would be seriously impaired, and enue would be seriously impaired, and the exemptions of private enterprises

caused so many deaths or as much illness, the epidemic spreading to such proportions and severity that health authorities unhesitatingly said it had not been

Thirty of the victims during the week were children, while the majority of adult deaths were those of persons advanced in age.

DENIES BERNHARDT IS ILL. Her Manager Produces Letters to Deny Reports of Illness.

WANTS CONGRESS TO SEE WARFARE

Chamberlain, chairman of the Sen- oppressed with a morning after Christate Committee on Military Affairs, has mas feeling there is no real need to decided to ask that a division of regular acknowledge its cause in the liquid cheer troops be detailed to give a demonstra- absorbed yesterday. A more comforting tion of an attack on a fortified position excuse can be found in the belief that with shrapnel, high explosive shells and some narmful ingredients were included also with bullets and hand grenades. in the Christmas repast. This would mean the employment of Any one can substantiate this con-

This would mean the employment of both artillery and infantry in the attack.

The Senator, who is taking great interest in the legislation looking to preparedness, would first have the troops give an object lesson in erecting fortifications by digging trenches and erecting the usual modern temporary fortifications. Then he would have their work put to the test by having them attacked. No one would be put under fire.

Senator Chamberlain would have Congress witness the demonstration, which he believes would furnish a better object lesson than the usual sham battle.

He believes that the average member of Congress would be better prepared to pass upon legislation for the national attack.

The Senator thinks that such a plan attack.

The senator the runder fire, but the thouse, 184 Eldridge street, and viewing the exhibits in the chamber of horrors.

Take candles, for instance. Many n good man has been ruined by overing the displayed by the Health Department.

The bonbon case holds candles overing t

fence and defrays his own expenses in the undertaking of them, a statement of fact which Mr. Woodhouse makes, he says, without intending a criticism of Mr. Bryan or any others who speak for peace and charge fees and expenses for head of the says with the says without intending a criticism of Mr. Bryan or any others who speak for peace and charge fees and expenses for an adequate national defence," said Senator Chamberlain. "People read how battles are fought nowadays it how battles are fought nowadays in Europe, but do not realize how far short we are of the preparation to fight such

battles.

"In my opinion nothing would portray more graphically what we must do to fit our army for modern warfare than the mobilization of a body of troops to attack a fortified position. If either the War Department or Congress will make such an object lesson possible the results will be more impressive than all the oratory that will be expended upon the question of national defence at this the question of national defence at this

DRILLS MARYLAND CONVICTS. Warden Arms His Men With Stick

and Results Please Him. BALTIMORE, Dec. 25 .- Warden Leonard of the Maryland Penitentlary has been for some time drilling the short term

prisoners in army tactics. When the preparedness movement took form, the warden secured from army au-thorities the manual and after familiar-izing himself with its requirements personally undertook together with Deputy Warden Hamili to drill the convicts so that when they have served their terms. they will be equipped to enter the mili-tary service. They have been using sticks for guns and show great interest in their drilling. They drill an hour

the results of his experiment and be lieves they will make good soldiers.

PRISONER KISSED GIRL AS WAY OF 'DEFENCE'

Novel Plea Wins Discharge in Court-Wished Merry Christmas.

Benjamin Kloss, 28 years old, of 191 Henry street, when taken to the Tombs Police Court yesterday because he embraced Silvia Bass, 21 years old, of 237 Henry street, pleaded that he kissed the girl in self defence. The kissing was done at a Christmas Eve party where Kloss sat at the side of Miss Bass, who was comely enough, in ney Kissam, to be the subject of Shakes

while the merry guests were exchang ing jests, Kloss suddenly put his arm around Miss Bass and implanted a kis to rule as to legal ownership does afford sounded on the young man's face, but some certainty in a starting point of some certainty in this came from the girl's hand.

According to her story, Kloss didn't

The young woman tossed her head.

"Young lady," the Magistrate said.

"Tm going to discharge this defendant because in kissing you he paid a high tribute to your beauty."

The girl at first frowned. Then she smiled and followed Kloss outside to wish him a merry Christmas.

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PURE FOOD SHOW TO OPEN TO-NIGHT

Senator Chamberlain Would Things That Recall Holiday Dinners and Inward Disorders Will Be Shown.

FOR DEFENCE LESSONS LECTURES EACH EVENING

If one is low in mind to-day, and

Thirty-fourth Street

those exceptional mortals who like to eat pickles with a plate of ice cream.

They will observe a bottle of pickles with a bue that is unfortunately not "fast," for the vinegar in it is warranted by the Health Department to turn the lining of the atomach green. Near by will be a demonstration of the manufacture of ice cream entirely without cream, which is deemed too rich for the blood.

of these colors on one's inner works may be dimmed by eating a sufficient quantity of whinuts which have been bleached by sulphurous acid. While in the nut-division the sightseer can inspect pea-nuts masquerading as almonds. These peanuts are shaved so that no one but a true peanut connoisseur could dis-tinguish them from split almonds. Then they are anointed with an "almond oil" made from bengaldehyde and sprinkled

made from bengaldehyde and sprinkled ever layer cake to give it an appetizing rough cast appearance.

One of the articles of diet to be exhibited seems at first glance to be a necklace from some savage tribe, but the health experts give the solemn assurance that it is a string of dried oysters rescued from a Chimatown den.

Ples will likewise be on view, of the type which mother didn't make. The authorities decided not to exhibit other perishable victuals, such as condemned turkeys, as they considered they were taking enough chance with the eggs.

A large part of the show besides this will be devoted to kood food and the proper methods of preparing it for holiday feasts. Each evening lectures will be given, as follows:

Sunday, "Public Markets," by Borough President Marcus M. Marks; Monday, "Protecting the Food of Five Million People," Dr. Lucius P. Brown; Tuesday, "Patent Medicines," Dr. O. M. Leiser; Wednesday, "What Housewives Should Know About Milk, Meat and Fish," department experts; Thursday, mothers' lecture in Yiddish by Dr. Kathryn Mary Maryson; Friday, dealers' conferences with department experts; Saturday, "The Sanitary Code and Koeher Requirements," by a prominent rabbi; Sunday, "Food and Health," Dr. F. E. Breithut. could cause his insides to be tinted like a | Breithut.

SOME OF STAFF TO STAY

The fifty-seven members of the medical board of the Cumberland Street Hospital in Brooklyn have handed their resignations to Charities Commissioner Kingsbury, preparatory to a complete Ringsbury, preparatory to a complete reorganization of the hospital, which is overcommissioner will accept appointment to the new staff. The Board of Estimate is to be asked for about \$500,000 for a new building which has been needed for some time. As a nucleus for a building fund the Charities Department has \$20,000 remaining from an appropriation made some time ago for the purchase of land. Whether the new building is obtained or not the reorganization programme will be adopted.

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Mr. Kingsbury's purpose is to make the medical service of the Cumberland Street Hospital comparable with that of the Johns Hoppins and the Massaof the Johns Hopkins and the alassa-chusetts General hospitals, upon which the Greenpoint Hospital's organization was remodelled last year. He has ap-pointed an advisory board of three mem-bers—Dr. Walter Gray Crump, chair-man; Dr. William H. Dieffenbach and Dr. Chales L. Johnston

57 DOCTORS RESIGN
IN HOSPITAL CHANGE
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Plan to Pattern Cumberland
Institution, Brooklyn, After Johns Hopkins.

have had at least ten years of active practice. He will select his own star of active practice. He will select his own subject to confirmation by the advisory board and will be required to visit the hospital extent he conduct of his practice. He will select his own subject to confirmation by the advisory board and will be required to visit the hospital extent he conduct of his practice. He will select his own subject to confir ong fifty-seven In requesting the resignations of the present medical board and telling them of the new plan, Commissioner Kingsbury said he was "interested solely in

Physician in chief, Dr. E. Rodney Fiske; surgeon in chief, Dr. J. Hubley Schall; obstetrician in chief, Dr. Her-bert C. Allen, and gynecologist in chief, Dr. J. Francis Ranken.

Auto Hits Husband and Wife. bers—Dr. Walter Gray Crump, chairman; Dr. William H. Dieffenbach and Dr. Charles L. Johnston.

The working hospital staff will be divided into four divisions—surgical, medical, obstetrical and gynecological. The head of each of these divisions must

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High-cost Afternoon and Evening Coats (the remainder of a number of fashionable styles) have also been marked at decided concessions in prices.

A Special Sale of Dress and Skirt Lengths

has been prepared for Monday. To effect a speedy clearance, great reductions in prices have been made in velours, broadcloths, gabardines, cheviots, homespuns, and silkand-wool materials.

Dress Lengths \$3.50 to 10.00 Skirt Lengths 2.50 to 6.00

Cotton Dress Fabrics

commencing Monday and continuing throughout the week, will be marked at prices irrespective of the original cost. This will afford a decidedly advantageous opportunity for the purchase of dress, skirt and shorter lengths in the most desirable cotton fabrics in colors,

at prices very much lower than usual.

The December Clearance of Women's Shoes

which will begin to-morrow, will comprise all styles of Women's Footwear about to be eliminated from stock. Every pair of shoes included in this Sale will be marked at a price far below the actual value.

Many of the Store's patrons will find the Madison Avenue Entrance most convenient.